

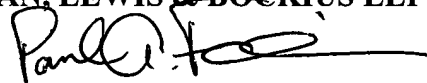
REMARKS

Applicants have amended the current English-language title indicated at item (54) of the cover page of published WO 2004/036651 A1 so that it reads as indicated on the concurrently-filed translation of the international application. Applicants have amended the specification to correct minor informalities that were found in the Japanese language PCT specification. Claim 11 is amended to change its dependency so that it is now dependent on claim 10. Accordingly, claims 1-23 are presently pending and are respectfully submitted for examination on the merits.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

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